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OCTOBER EVENTS AT THE NASA VISITOR CENTER

Saturday, October 8: Ring Around the Planet

Visitors can learn more about Saturn and build their own model of the giant gas planet to take home. The program begins at 1 p.m. and will last 30 minutes.

Saturday, October 15: "Flight Basics"

Come and find out how airplanes fly in this program about the basic principles of flight. Following the presentation, children will construct and test three different paper airplane designs. The program begins at 1 p.m. and will last 45 minutes.

Saturday, October 22: "Earth Image Bingo"

Discover NASA's involvement in helping us understand and protect our home planet through a fun and interactive game of bingo. The program begins at 1 p.m. and will last 40 minutes.

Saturday, October 29: "3-2-1 Blastoff"

This 30-minute program will take visitors through a sounding rocket launch from beginning to end. Visitors will learn what are sounding rockets, why there are used, and how they work. Following the program, children can make their own decorative paper rocket. Program begins at 1 p.m.

"Puppets in Space"

"Puppets in Space", a 10-minute puppet show, will be presented at 11 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Puppet astronauts and Sam the monkey will explore space flight, including the space suit. An eight-minute version of the film "Astrosmiles" follows the puppet show.

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Daily: "Space Ace"

Children ages 5-10 years can earn a "Space Ace" certificate and a lithograph during their Visitor Center experience by completing an activity sheet.

Sundays: "Humans in Space"

"Humans in Space" is the subject of a 1 p.m. program for children of all ages. The 30-minute program looks at living and working in space, including a review of the astronauts' culinary delights and their wardrobe.

The Visitor Center, part of the Robert L. Krieger Education Complex, is open Thursday through Monday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. It is located on Route 175 about six miles from Route 13 and five miles from Chincoteague, Va. Admission to Visitor Center programs is free. For further information, please call (757) 824-2298.

For information about the Visitor Center on the Internet, visit

<http://www.wff.nasa.gov/vc>

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